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Recovering Target DNA or RNA
Molecules Having a Desired
Nucleotide Sequence**

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Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings

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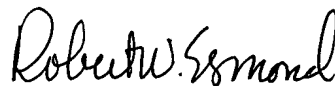
Sir:

Submitted herewith are three sheets of formal drawings with Figure(s) 1-3, corresponding to the informal drawing(s) submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawing(s) is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawing(s) into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Letter is enclosed.

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